THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI E. PONNUSWAMY): (a) and (b) The 208 MW Godavari Gas based power project of M/s Spectrum Power Generation Ltd. (SPGL) had initially been given allocation of 30 TMTPA of naphtha. A request was received from the project developer as well as from the State Government of Andhra Pradesh for additional allocation of naphtha to the tune of 60 TMTPA. The additional naptha requested has also since been allocated to the project in April, 1999.

Regularisation of Contingent workers of ONGC, Tripura

2414. SHRI KHAGEN DAS: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) how many contingent workers are there in the ONGC, Tripura Sector; and

(b) whether Government have any proposal to regularise their service?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI E. PONNUSWAMY): (a) and (b) There are a total of 383 contingent workers working in the establishments of ONGC in Tripura State as on today. The contingent worker who complete 240 days continuous service in 12 consecutive calendar months are given preference in regular appointment, subject to the availability of vacancies in the regular establishment and subject to the condition that they fulfill the eligibility criteria as prescribed in the ONGC Recruitment Rules, for the posts against which they are to be considered for appointment.

Use of Unleaded Petrol in Government Vehicles

2415. SHRI SATISHCHANDRA SITARAM PRADHAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are any plans to force all Government vehicles to use unleaded petrol; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?